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Seeing the sights

A group of delegates attending the Northern Lights Library Conference took a short hike to the Peter Fidler statue in search of the nearby geocache. Left to right are Harpreet Chaggar, St. Paul, Melody Kaban, Smoky Lake, Dallas Degenhardt and Mary Ann Sparks, Edgerton, Doris Lockhart, Cold Lake, and NLLS consultant Caroline Vandriel.



Property tax climb concerns ratepayers

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Concern that their property tax has almost tripled in the past 15 years brought an Elk Point couple to last Monday's town council meeting. Mark and Jodi Verenka live on an 80 acre parcel of farmland inside town limits, and are not connected to town water or sewer lines, nor do they have sidewalks or garbage collection, they told council.

"We are of no expense to the town, and we think this is outrageous," Jodi Verenka said. "We think we are being charged at the same residential rate as people in town."

Mayor Parrish Tung said the general assessment could be part of the factor, because his own taxes have nearly doubled since he first purchased his house.

The Verenkas did appeal to the assessor, and agreed that the assessment on the property was "At fair market value," but they do not feel they "fit in the same mill rate as would be on a town residence," since a majority of their property is farmland.

The Verenka property was annexed by the town a number of years before the Verenkas purchased it, and an agreement was put in place at that time that the land would be taxed at county rates as long as the people who owned the property at the time of annexation retained that ownership.

Council agreed to look into the situation, and noted that the town's newly appointed assessor would be in Elk Point later in the week. "We may be able to get this rectified," the mayor said.

Economic Development

Jonny Nielsen represented the Economic Development Committee at the meeting, and reported that Melanie Poulin has taken the position of chair, following the resignation of Don Schultz. Curtis Porcina is the vice-chair.

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Danyluk to run for PC Party presidency

By JANANI WHITFIELD
Review Contributor

Former MLA for the area Ray Danyluk says he's enjoyed his downtime away from politics, but says his belief in the party, the province and his ability to contribute to both has drawn him to run for the presidency of the Progressive Conservative Party of Alberta.

The PC party announced on Sept. 7 that Danyluk will run against Calgary businessman Jim McCormick and Lac Saint Anne county councillor, Lorne Olsvik.

Danyluk notes that as a former cabinet minister, before his defeat by Wildrose MLA Shayne Saskiw in this past year's provincial election, he held four portfolios, which gives him experience that will be an asset in the role of

president. Three major reasons played a role in his decision to run, he said.

"Number one, I very much believe in the party, and more than anything, I believe in the people of this province. Secondly, I believe we can do a better job as the party supporting government . . . and when I say supporting, I think we can have better communication between the party and government," he said. "Thirdly, I very much support this premier and this government. We need to have a voice, and we need to have a rural voice and we need to have a party voice in the government and I believe I can do that."

His hope is to let the delegates of the party know that he is running, what he stands for, and what he hopes to achieve. "A lot of people know the work that I have done as a politician. Many don't know about my community

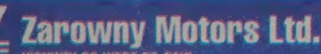
involvement," he said.

If these delegates hear him out and then decide that he's not the man for the job, "that's fine," he said, noting he has a lot of other items on his plate. However, he added, "I believe I can make a contribution in a positive direction."

Although Danyluk lives in rural Alberta, he says he understands the challenges and attributes of rural and urban areas, and believes that as the president of the PC party, just as he did as a cabinet minister, he would look at things at a provincial level.

"I have a lot of people who have called me, who are interested in supporting me, that are interested in the work that I have done and they believe I can do the job and to me, that's very encouraging," he said.

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Frog Lake hoping to expand use of Whitney Lake facilities

By JANICE HUSER
Review Contributor

The Frog Lake Recreation Department is looking to use the Whitney Lake ball diamonds for the 2013 season following a successful 2012 ball program, a request that County of St. Paul council discussed at its Sept. 11 meeting.

The recreation department is also hoping to use the nearby rodeo grounds in order to host several rodeo and team roping events in 2013. The ball program would begin at the end of April, and rodeo events and slo-pitch tournaments are scheduled for May and June, according to a letter of request from Frog Lake.

A proposed letter of agreement was attached to the monthly agenda, and stated the terms that would be followed if council

agreed to let Frog Lake use the grounds. Adequate insurance would be needed, and there will be no camping allowed on the property, states the letter.

Coun. Glen Ockerman expressed concern that there might be other groups in the area who want to use the grounds in the summer months also. He wondered how he is supposed to respond to other possible requests.

He added that he wants to oblige Frog Lake's request, while allowing the opportunity to other groups to use the grounds.

Reeve Steve Upham recommended that the county put another condition into the agreement with Frog Lake that allows for other groups to use the grounds when the recreation department isn't using it.

A motion to table a deci-

sion regarding the use of the ball diamonds and rodeo was carried.

Planning

County of St. Paul council will not be holding public strategic planning meetings in individual communities this year, but instead will look at the possibility of hosting an annual general meeting.

Councillors agreed they should begin strategic planning as soon as possible; according to Coun. Frank Sloan, there is some major planning to do in regards to the county's roads. Council will begin its strategic planning in October.

Medevac

Council agreed to send letters stating their support for using CFB Edmonton as the new primary landing site for Medevac flights, as requested by Lac La Biche County due to the planned closure of the city centre airport in Edmonton.

Trestle

Now that three individuals have been charged as a result of a fire that burned a portion of the Cold Lake trestle along the Iron Horse Trail, the county is being requested to put together a victim impact statement.

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Ratepayers seek tax help

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The committee has recommended that Debra McQuinn be added to the committee to fill the vacancy.

The EDC has discussed ways to get larger donations from oil companies for projects in the community, and hopes to meet with the recreation director to see what is needed. Many organizations, Nielsen said, do not have the ability to issue charitable donation receipts, but the town does, he noted. "We have to get our homework done, if town council thinks this is a good idea."

Nielsen also reiterated the need for accommodation for workers in the area, noting that people are moving into apartments where work is still underway, because the need is so great. "A work camp doesn't have to be connected with a pipeline or a project," he noted, "and it can be completely self contained," with no need to hook to municipal services.

The need for treated water by future operators of the meat packing plant was also brought forward, but Mayor Tung said that this would have to be dealt with by the County of St. Paul since it is outside town limits. He noted later in the meeting that this would also apply to another out of town business that had approached the town regarding a water hookup.

Height restrictions

Lyle Frisby approached council with another attempt at receiving approval for a garage that would be over the height restrictions imposed in the land use bylaw, as he would require a 14-foot door to park his truck camper inside. He noted that his neighbour's garage, built before the regulation came into place, is well above the currently approved height, and said he had canvassed his neighbours, none of whom had problems with a taller than normal structure.

After discussions later in the meeting, council agreed to approve a development permit with a maximum 20-foot height, providing that letters sent to the neighbours by the town do not bring a negative response.

Realty fees

The fees paid to realtors for sale of the town-owned residential lots was revised to \$2,000, after discussion of the proposed \$1,000 fee with three realtors. Council also agreed not to list industrial lots at this time as only one is currently ready for sale.

Subdivision plan

The tentative subdivision plan for the area north of the apartment complexes and Baptist church was discussed, and council agreed not to wait for passage of the land use bylaw to have the plan registered, as changes can be made if necessary. The plan includes half-acre R3 lots and high-way commercial property.

Grade Six request

Elk Point Elementary School's Grade Six teacher is looking for a project for her class to take part in that would benefit the town, and council was asked to think of worthwhile projects.

Affordable housing

Mayor Tung attended a recent workshop and learned that as a municipality, the town can apply for \$10,000 to study the need for affordable housing, and if a need is found, can obtain a \$150,000 interest-free loan to do a business plan. Affordable housing rents, at 20 per cent less

than comparable units, could only be applied to a portion of the units in a complex, he noted. "Is it our job to get into affordable housing?"

Meeting reports

North East MuniCorr would like council's response to a letter asking how fire damage to the Iron Horse Trail trestle near Cold Lake has impacted our community. Similar letters have been sent to municipalities along the trail, and the replies will become part of an impact statement to be used in a court case against those accused of starting the fire, Coun. Dwayne Yaremkevich said.

The Elk Point - St. Paul Regional Water Commission report brought forth a comment from Coun. Ron Fraess that "less pipe and more mud" is visible as the water line installation proceeds.

The Regional Fire Area Committee has seen the new concrete apron completed in front of the fire hall, and Coun. Eugene Buck said there is still the narrow strip between the street and that apron to be paved. Hot mix is required, and council discussed the potential to obtain leftover material from jobs in the area at a reasonable cost to complete the job.

Coun. Fraess reported on a project in the municipality of Wood Buffalo that pays for itself through recycling. He learned about this at an Alberta Care meeting.

Performance evaluation

Coun. Buck questioned a delay in setting a date for a performance evaluation of a member of the town staff, and was told by the mayor that council had waited to set the date when Coun. Buck was present, to ensure the date was agreeable to the entire council.

Danyluk

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Don Schultz, past president of the riding's PC association and current member of the executive, will be running for the position of vice-president for the north zone.

Darrell Youngmans, current president of the local PC association, said both Danyluk and Schultz have several years of experience working with the party. Danyluk has the experience of being an MLA, which "should bring in more cohesiveness between the party and the government," if he were to become the president, said Youngmans. At the annual general meeting, the party will also be redoing its constitution to usher in a new style of governance, he noted, adding, "And I think Ray is just the guy to implement that."

The party's annual general meeting will be held on Nov. 9 and 10 in Calgary.

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Facebook pages planned for schools

By JANICE HUSER
Review Contributor

At their Sept. 12 regular meeting, St. Paul Education Regional Division board trustees discussed a draft policy in the works regarding the use of Facebook by schools within the division.

The draft would allow for schools to have their own Facebook page for one-way communication, to invite parents to events and inform them of things such as snow days, said Supt. Glen Brodziak.

"This is quick and timely information," said Brodziak.

SPERD will begin with a pilot project this fall, which will include just a few schools first, with other schools to follow.

"There was some mixed feelings at the principals' meeting," said Brodziak, adding the division wants to approach social media "cautiously," so it is done right.

"This is a professional page," he said, adding it is still uncertain which staff will be in charge of keeping the pages updated at each school, but it could be office staff or librarians.

Foreign travel

Two local schools have received approval for their requests to bring students on trips outside the country. St. Paul Regional High School Travel Club is planning on going to Japan in March, and Ashmont Secondary is planning on going to Europe this spring also.

"We have criteria they have to meet," said board chair Maureen Miller, prior to the board approving the requests. She stressed that parents need to be well aware of any risks that might be involved in the trips.

Trustee Darrell Younghans also pointed out that parents and staff must

understand that if the trip is cancelled for any reason, the division is not responsible for recovering costs.

Calendar

The 2013-14 school year is looking like it will begin after the September long weekend for students if the division is successful in booking some "high end" speakers to come talk to teachers.

Brodziak asked the board what their thoughts were on starting classes after the long weekend to allow for extra PD days in August, to which trustees agreed. The calendar committee will consider this when putting together next year's school calendar.

Capital projects

Renovations at Racette Junior High School are "progressing, slow but sure," said secretary-treasurer Jean Champagne. The completion date for the project is set for spring of 2013.

F. G. Miller renovations are also underway, with the school's gymnasium in the midst of construction right now. Students will be taking part in winter activities outside the school for much of the winter and will also be sharing the gym with the elementary school when it is needed.

A new school for Two Hills Mennonite School is set to go to tender and construction will hopefully get started in November, said Champagne.

Donation

The Spur radio station has donated \$8,000 to SPERD. The money will most likely either be used for fine arts or breakfast programs within the schools, heard trustees.

Enrolment up slightly

Enrolment numbers show a slight increase in the number of students registered with SPERD.

Final enrolment numbers will be known at the end of the month, and the division is expecting that number to be close to last year's enrolment numbers.

There will be no staffing changes until the end of September, said Brodziak, adding there are some "hot spots" within the division. For example, there are some classes in the division with as many as 30 students.

After looking at the numbers, Miller noted an influx of kindergarten children across the division schools.

"And that is good," said Brodziak.

Two Hills Mennonite School has again shown big growth, expanding over the past school year from 467 to a total of 534 students enrolled this year, secretary-treasurer Jean Champagne said in an interview following the meeting. The school board had been expecting growth at that school and had been estimating 530 students to be enrolled. The province has approved a new replacement school for Two Hills Mennonite School, which is set to go to tender on Sept. 25, with an aim for the school to be completed by the 2014-2015 school year.

Ashmont Elementary had been expecting to lose student numbers, due to a decision by Goodfish Lake to stop providing busing for students off-reserve for kindergarten to Grade 3 students this year.

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Vicki Brooker photo

AAMD & C Scholarship

F. G. Miller High School graduate Kelsey Lindquist is the recipient of one of five scholarships given out province wide by the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, "for academic achievement and being a wonderful student," County of St. Paul Division 2 Coun. Dwight Dach said as he presented the award to Kelsey's mother, Cheri Lindquist, last week.

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Remembering 'Mr. Alberta'

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Lougheed built the foundation for a party that has broken that record and remained strong through the leadership of Don Getty, Ralph Klein, Ed Stelmach and Alison Redford for 41 years to date.

His legacy of progress will long be remembered.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Golf champs, Fox runners, play potential

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF SEPT. 18 IN...

1987

Ed Soldan edged out Bill Milholland by a single stroke to win the Men's championship a Elk Point Golf and Country Club, with an identical edge gave Pearl Bepalko the Ladies' championship over Liz Poiras while Albert Lim and Justin Conrad won the junior titles and John Gusnowski the senior championship. A new committee dealing with agricultural events and chaired by Charlene Baker was warmly welcomed by Agricultural Society president Glen Harms, who said it was "a really big step for the society."

1992

Marshall Kachmar was the first candidate to throw his hat in the ring for the mayor's chair in the October election. Former Elk Point area resident Derek Hehr was named the Lakeland Rodeo Associations' Cowboy of the Year at the LRA finals in St. Paul, where he also led the bull riding coming into the finals.

1997

Terry Fox Run earnings were up by half over the previous year despite chilly, damp and windy conditions that faced the large crowd of participants, who earned a variety of prizes for their efforts, with Peggy Maas again the top fundraiser. Property owners would have a new option for paying their 1998 taxes, after council agreed to accept a series of postdated cheques at the beginning of the year, each cheque equaling 1/12 of the 1997 taxes, and any increase to be paid when tax notices came out in June.

2002

Everyone and their elephant was at Information Night, with Elmer the Safety Elephant a big hit with the youngsters as parents visited the booths of 38 community organizations, agencies and service providers. Town council examined the potential of local playgrounds, and took a first-hand look at the equipment in order to determine if it was safe and if it still met the needs of local youngsters.

2007

Town council passed bylaws rezoning property along Highway 41 from Institutional to its original designation of Highway Commercial and on Railway Avenue from Central Commercial to R2 Residential. County council agreed that preserving Heinsburg's historic train station was a priority for local residents, with efforts to do so appreciated by Iron Horse Trail and Riverland Recreational Trail supporters.



Peter Lougheed
1928-2012

GUEST COLUMN

Records made

Today in history on September 18, 1942 the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation was authorized for radio service. Today the CBC is still on the air and it is known for its top music, news talk radio and more. This is interesting in that this date is in the middle of World War II.

BARBAROSSA was launched on June 22, 1941 when three million German, Finnish, Romanian, and Hungarian soldiers attacked the whole length of the Soviet western frontier. Unprepared for the assault the Red Army collapsed and in three months enemy forces had reached Leningrad, were approaching Moscow, and had seized the rich industrial and grain area of the Ukraine. High losses and the onset of winter brought the German attack to a halt, but in 1942 the campaign was renewed on the southern flank with a drive to capture Soviet oil resources in the Caucasus before turning north to capture Moscow. Frantic efforts by the rump Soviet state to reform its armed forces and rebuild its shattered economy resulted in a remarkable revival in the later part of 1942. In November 1942 Germany and her allies attacking Stalingrad (now Volgograd) were cut off by a massive Soviet encirclement, URANUS. The German forces in Stalingrad surrendered in January 1943. Both sides mobilized enormous forces for a renewed summer campaign and around the city of Kursk the German ZITADELLE was defeated and the German front rolled back towards Kiev, which was retaken in November 1943.

The USA fought a largely naval and air war between 1942 and 1945, using its very great naval power to deploy troops in major amphibious operations, first in the Solomon

Islands to halt the Japanese Pacific advance, then in TORCH, a combined American-British landing in Morocco and Algeria in November 1942, and subsequently in the Anglo-American landings in Sicily and southern Italy in the summer of 1943.

Consequently, on September 18, 1942, with World War II being fought, news about the war had to be a major topic in the newspapers as well as on the radio. To help people believe there was hope in tomorrow and that the war will end, one song was written in 1942 that was sung many times. In 1942 Nat Burton wrote "White Cliffs of Dover" which was sung by Vera Lynn and also played by Jimmy Dorsey and his Orchestra.

*There'll be bluebirds over the white cliffs of Dover
Tomorrow, just you wait and see
There'll be love and laughter and peace ever after
Tomorrow when the world is free
(The shepherd will tend his sheep)
(The valley will bloom again)
And Jimmy will go to sleep
In his own little room again
There'll be bluebirds over the white cliffs of Dover
Tomorrow, just you wait and see*

After the war ended and life did get back to a happier, peaceful time, other records were being made on September 18. For example on September 18, 1956, Mickey Mantle becomes the eighth person to hit 50 home runs in a season. In total, 26 players have reached the 50 home run club in MLB history and nine have done so more than once. Of these, 15 were right-handed batters, 10 were left-handed, and one was a switch hitter, meaning he could bat from either side of the plate. The New York Yankees are the only franchise to have four different players reach the milestone while on their roster: Babe Ruth, Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris and Alex Rodriguez.

So yes, September 18 in history brings record memories that are both unhappy and happy but both memories show accomplishment and hope. May your Sept. 18 be a happy day!



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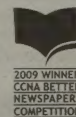
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CAPC welcomes new Elk Point Victim Services coordinator

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Community Advisory Policing Committee welcomed Elk Point's newly appointed Victim Services coordinator, Dawn Lavallee, at their first meeting of the new season, and surprised her by singing 'Happy Birthday.'

CAPC chair Deanna Easthope presented Lavallee with a welcome gift and presented Guy Genereux, who has represented Victim Services on the committee, with a gift of appreciation for his participation over the years.

The meeting featured numerous updates, but no major problems from member groups.

Levina Ewasjuk reported that the Greater Lakeland Crime Watch has had a busy summer, attending numerous promotional events around the region, from Elk Point Show and Shine and the Canada Day Parade to the Stoney Lake Stampede and Elk Point's Information Night, and has gained four new members at each event. The group has also distributed information to area schools about the Rural Crime Watch poster contest. The RCW float was also part of the St. Paul rodeo parade. The next meeting will be Oct. 18 at the St. Paul County office.

Students Mandy Berg, Cheyenne Lawrence and Nicole Plunkie updated the CAPC on happenings at F. G. Miller High School, which included a very successful back-to-school street party the previous week, with hot dogs, ice cream, music and an extra-long lunch hour break, along with a get-to-know-everyone scavenger hunt. Mayor Parrish Tung and representatives of the school division's central office were among the special guests in attendance. Lawrence, Plunkie and Sherry Bower-Gagne took part in last spring's Relay for Life in Lloydminster, raising money for cancer research, and plan to do the same this year. The Practitioners of Underground Philanthropy (PUP) group's mission for the year is dealing with homelessness and hunger,

and the group plans to go to Hope Mission and take part in the Christmas Convoy, and to collect Toys for Tots and do their Christmas card fundraiser, this year with a plan to have people pre-order their cards, so sufficient cards can be made to fill all the requests.

The PUP group is now in its third year and has about 30 members.

Town council representatives Bernice Capjack and Ron Fraess reported that the AUMA convention is coming up at the end of September. The town is extending services in the new industrial park and into a new residential subdivision. Street patching is underway, and work on the water line from St. Paul is progressing.

County Coun. Dwight Dach said a lot of oiling, graveling and construction has been undertaken this summer. The fire hall's new ramp is complete except for

a strip of paving, and "no more dirt will be coming into the building."

Pastor Bill Kryzanowsky "may make it" into retirement, which he said he has been attempting to do for 10 years. There are "A few empty seats" in the church that he would like to see filled, he added.

Margaret Modin reported that an uprooted parking barrier had been put back in place outside the Seniors' Recreation Centre. She noted that vehicles parking on 50 Ave. close to the barber shop parking entrance are making it difficult to pull out onto the avenue safely.

Easthope thanked all groups that were involved in Information Night, which was once again successful.

Lavallee reported that Elk Point Victim Services has worked on 30 active files between July and September, and 21 are now closed.

Family violence is involved in "by far the highest" percentage of the files, she noted.

Lavallee is working on a grant for additional funding for the agency, but said the highest priority "is to recruit advocates" to assist in helping victims of crime and tragedy. Training is available for advocates, who must have security clearance, she said.

She hopes to make presentations about Victim Services at the schools and to the seniors, Lavallee said.

Genereux noted that funding is available for events to be held in Victims of Crime Awareness Week in April, and grant applications must be in by Nov. 1. He suggested awareness sessions on critical incidence stress management and human trafficking, and said that "the more people know, the more increase in awareness" of this increasing problem. "It's very under-reported."

RCMP Cst. Nathan Fehr said there was still no word on when the Elk Point Detachment's new sergeant would be arriving. In the meantime, the detachment

is "a few members short" and coping with heavy workloads. The Frog Lake Powwow took place without any major incidents, but rollovers on local highways have been keeping members busy.

Fehr said he is being

transferred to Calgary and Cst. Adam Bullock to Red Deer in the near future.

Texting drivers are "difficult to catch," he reported, with "about a dozen charges" laid since the legislation came in, he told the committee.



CAPC chair Deanna Easthope welcomed first-ever Elk Point Victim Services coordinator to the Community Advisory Policing Committee at last week's meeting.

September 11, 2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed Norberg Substation Telecommunication Tower

ATCO Electric is planning to build a telecommunications tower on the proposed Norberg substation site, located in SW 17-61-10 W4M just south of the Hamlet of St. Lina, in the County of St. Paul. The new tower will be a 46 metre self-supporting steel lattice structure, and will meet aeronautical safety requirements. ATCO Electric is applying to Industry Canada and the Alberta Utilities Commission for the necessary approvals. Construction is planned to occur between February and August 2013.

You are invited to provide public comments to ATCO Electric within the next 30 days of this notice. Closing date for submissions is October 12, 2012.

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Conference delegates tour Municipal Library

Van-loads of delegates from across northeast Alberta who attended last week's Northern Lights Library System conference visited Elk Point Municipal Library on Friday afternoon, and were warmly welcomed by library manager Daphne Schnurer (far right and below). The visitors toured the facility, checking out everything from the newly redecorated program room and the newest displays to the children's area, below, with its pyramid play centre and world map rug. The visitors were also invited to take home a book from the library's annual book sale as a souvenir of the visit.



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Laurier Lake

Accessory Building to be located 15 feet from the north (roadside) property line instead of 25 feet.

Permit No. 12-D0109
Location: S.E. 7-59-9-W4M
Lot 1, Block 2, 0828795

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Building Height: 25 feet instead of 15 feet
Land Use District: Country Residential One (CR1)*

Permit No. 12-D0110
Location: N.E. 32-62-12-W4M

*Installation of a 128 meter guyed telecommunication tower. This will replace the existing 114 meter tower.
Land Use District: Agricultural District (A)*

Permit No. 12-D0111
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Land Use District: Agricultural District (A)*

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September 18, 2012

Krystle Fedoretz
Development Authority Officer

School board notes

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According to a letter earlier sent to SPERD from the Goodfish band's chief and council, in 2013-2014, the band will also phase out busing for students up to Grade 6, in order to boost attendance at Pakan School, located on the reserve itself.

Ashmont Elementary's numbers decreased from 355 students to 309 students this year, according to Champagne.

During the SPERD meeting, trustees discussed the fact that talks between SPERD and the Goodfish Lake band continue to take place regarding the busing of children.

"We respect their wishes to try to get their school up and running," said Miller, adding it's "heartbreaking" to lose the children who were previously attending Ashmont School.

Brodziak says he has received a number of phone calls from concerned parents, but has been directing them to Goodfish Lake band.

Northern Lights investigates library possibilities

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

'Investigate the Possibilities' was the theme of the Northern Lights Library System's 2012 annual conference, held last week in Elk Point.

Investigation was part of a number of the sessions and activities of the three-day conference, with one of Thursday's pre-conference sessions devoted to investigating ways to help library patrons do genealogy research.

Thursday evening, delegates were invited to come to dinner dressed as their favourite sleuths, and to take part in a NLLS murder mystery.

Friday morning sessions led to discovery of new fall titles, learning about 'investigative avenues' with Elk Point RCMP Cst. Pedro Rodriguez and learning ways of detecting appropriate legal resources to assist patrons, among a wealth of other topics.

Lunch was followed by keynote speaker Myrna Kostash, an Alberta author who has explored the world "from Two Hills to Byzantium," over the past 42 years as she researched her ethnic roots and information for her creative non-fiction writing.

Kostash, who says she "never had a day job," found that her "relatives littered the countryside" in the Two Hills area, and some of them "felt I was airing their dirty laundry" when her first book, 'All of Baba's Children' was published.

After writing about the 1960s generation in Canada, "to remind people that revolution lives," she decided to experiment with "the new journalism," and wrote "No Kidding Aside?

about the lives of teenage girls before heading to Europe "to find out what happened to the generation of 1969," which became "Bloodlines: a journey to Eastern Europe."

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Library consultant Caroline Vandriel above left, unveils the clues, to finding a geocache near the Peter Fidler statue. Below, NLLS Director Mircea Panciuk thanks Friday evening's keynote speaker Sarah Apedaile for her interesting and helpful message on intercultural communications.



Alberta author Myrna Kostash was Friday afternoon's keynote speaker.

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COUNTY OF ST. PAUL No. 19



HIGHLIGHTS September 11, 2012 Council Meeting

Agreements with Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay – Council approved a Fire Aid Agreement for a five year term commencing October 1, 2012. The Agreement authorizes the County fire departments to provide fire services with the Mallaig Fire Department being the first responder. If the Mallaig Fire Department is unavailable, then another fire department will respond.

A Snow Removal Agreement with the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay was also approved by Council for a ten year term.

Bylaw No. 1604 – All three readings were given to Bylaw No. 1604 for short term borrowing of \$1,500,000, to be repaid in 5 years or less. The funds will cover the County's share of the paving on the Northern Valley Road.

Proposed Turn Around for Sanitary Sewer Disposal – Council received correspondence from a resident in the Hamlet of Mallaig who is opposed to the proposed location of the access road and sanitary sewer disposal for private sewage haulers. Council also heard from St. Paul Education expressing the need to improve the crosswalk due to the increase in traffic, if the proposed sewer disposal proceeds. Administration will look at an alternate access for the proposed site before the planned development proceeds.

Medevac Service Standards in Northern Alberta – Discussions for maintaining existing Medevac service standards for Northern Alberta communities have been ongoing. Finance Minister Doug Horner is pursuing the option of sending northern Medevac flights to CFB Edmonton in Namao after the City Centre Airport closes in 2013. If Namao is not selected, the Edmonton International Airport will become the new Medevac landing site which will increase ground transport times by 25 minutes. In an attempt to influence their decision, County Council will be sending letters to Prime Minister Harper, Premier Alison Redford and MP Brian Storseth supporting the use of CFB Edmonton at Namao as the new primary landing site for northern Medevac flights instead of the International Airport.

Planning and Development – First reading was given to Bylaw No. 1605 to rezone Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 1120585 in NE 1-58-10-W4 from Urban Expansion to Country Residential 2.

Policies – Council passed two new policies that residents can review on the County website www.county.stpaul.ab.ca. The policies address FOIP Requests and Erecting Cautionary Signs.

Funding –

- \$100 Ladies Town and Country Funspiel
- \$5,000 for Elk Point Curling Club
- \$15,000 for A.G. Ross Arena

For more information contact:
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Information gathering

Lakeland Community Health Advisory Council chair Diana Anderson visited with local residents at Information Night and gathered input on how they perceive the health services available in the community and the region.

NLLS conference

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In 1984, Kostash visited the Ukraine and was "literally speechless. I was literally ashamed of myself" because she could not speak Ukrainian with her mother's family members. Before returning to the Ukraine four years later, she went to Saturday school and learned the language of her ethnic background. From her second journey and a third in 1991, came 'The Prodigal Daughter: a Journey to Byzantium', which took her 10 years to write and was her "most mature" work and "my spiritual odyssey."

'The Next Canada' was her "millennium project," and during the research,

when she asked, "Are you a Canadian?" she found "people got angry with me."

The reaction to that book was mixed, with some reviewers "trashing me for being a miserable old hippie."

Two literary anthologies followed, one entitled 'The Frog Lake Reader,' the other, about the North Saskatchewan River, 'Reading the River.' The Frog Lake book came out of research for 'Reading the River,' when she discovered the grave of Cree warriors from the 1885 Northwest Rebellion at Fort Battlefront and "started a journey that is still ongoing."

Investigation continued

throughout the afternoon, as delegates hiked to the Peter Fidler statue in search of a geocache, took bus tours to the St. Paul and Elk Point libraries and investigated new programming ideas with the makers of Serotonin Chocolates.

Friday evening's keynote speaker was Sarah Apedaile, who had earlier presented a session on 'Assessing and Developing Intercultural Sensitivity in your Community.' The specialist in intercultural education called her keynote "The Case of the Elusive Third Culture Space" and told library staff and board members that their facilities could be that space, a place where people from all cultures could feel accepted and welcome, and where they could find information that would help them become accustomed to life in a new community and possibly even a new country.

She spoke of culture shock, noting that between "the old normal and the new normal" are lots of little changes in our lives. She added that she is impressed by "the tremendous resilience of people who move to a new country" and make their lives there.

"Every culture has its power differential. We need to recognize the similarities and differences, act in informed ways and achieve goals through informed decision making."

The investigation process concluded Saturday, with final sessions ranging from Microsoft Word to Zumba, emergency preparedness plans to extreme couponing, before delegates headed home with new investigative tools to use in their own libraries.

County Council

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"It's definitely affected our trail big time," said Coun. Alphonse Corbiere.

ARMAA

CAO Sheila Kitz was recently named the vice-president of ARMAA (Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators' Association). She is the first female to hold the position since the organization's inception 90 years ago.

Energy

A delegation by Ken Klassen from 8760:Energy piqued the interest of council last week. Klassen offered councilors information on the "power of aggregation."

The company "provides electricity and natural gas group procurement to large organizations across Canada and into the United States... We protect Canadian businesses from the risk of volatile energy costs, while delivering a transparent alternative to lower costs year over year," says information handed out by Klassen.

Some of 8760:Energy's current clients include big names like Canadian Tire, West Jet, Boston Pizza, the City of Edmonton, and a handful of NHL hockey teams.

The county will have to make a decision by Oct. 1 if it wants sign up with 8760:Energy. Ockerman asked Klassen if it was possible to sign up the arenas and halls that fall within the County of St. Paul, to which Klassen's response was yes.

"I would say we're very interested," said Upham, following the delegation.

Council passed a motion to sign an agreement with 8760:Energy and approach halls and arenas in the county with the information.

Elk Point gets all the info



Elk Point 4-H Beef Club leader Erin Wells (far left) talks to potential and future members about the projects and pleasures of 4-H membership.

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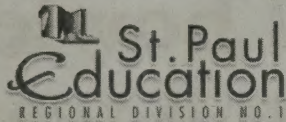
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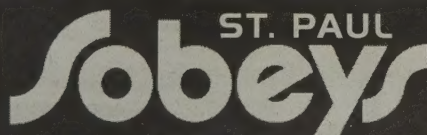
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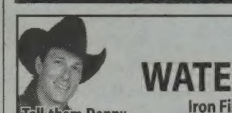
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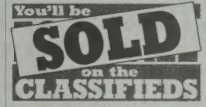
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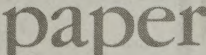
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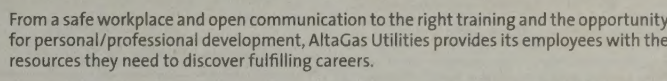
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**doug
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Review Sports

While we worked on the installation of the new sign on Saturday there seemed to be a lot of honking going on and it wasn't coming from the street. It was from overhead, the geese heading south and that can only mean one thing. Like it or not, winter is coming. As much as I hate to see it turn cold it would be a blessing for making ice and could save us a few bucks on our power bill which has been going right though the roof lately, to say the least. Now there's a topic for the coffee shop when were not kicking around the NHL lockout and who's to blame.

The plant is scheduled to start up in two days. By the weekend, if we don't have any problems we will be flooding. A week from now the white ice should be done and the lines will be going on. Unless we have some major problems, which can and has happened at anytime, we will be skating by October 1. With no NHL hockey in the near future we may all need a place to hang out. These little guys don't get paid, but they sure are fun to watch!

And now for the K.A. Campbell quote of the week. "You can only milk a cow so long, and then you're left holding the pail." Last week's answer to - "When a man retires his wife gets twice the husband but only half the income." - Chi Chi Rodriguez.

Team Alberta bowlers

Team Alberta 55+ candlepin bowlers (left to right) Gary Rosling, Mark Kryvenky, Josephine Salmond, Faye Smith and Del Smith were thrilled to accept the Canada Games bronze medals from an unidentified Nova Scotia MLA (back).

Photo submitted.



Elk Point, St. Paul bowlers part of Canada's top team

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point bowlers Faye and Del Smith and Mark Kryvenky of St. Paul returned from the Canada Games in Nova Scotia last weekend as proud members of Team Alberta, which won 113 of the total of 440 medals as well as the Spirit of the Games award.

The Smiths and Kryvenky competed in candlepin bowling with teammates Gary Rosling of Calgary and Josephine Salmond of Fairview, and brought home the bronze medals.

"Alberta once again proved their strength," said Chris Monner of Alberta 55 Plus, who congratulated all partici-

pants for their demonstrations of good sportsmanship.

"The other big news of the event came during the closing ceremonies, when it was announced that the 2014 games were awarded to the County of Strathcona. The folks of Sherwood Park and surrounding areas are sure to put on a fabulous Games, as we invite the rest of the country to visit us for a change." Monner says there will be lots of work involved in hosting the event, but Alberta 55 Plus is confident they will be a great success "and a great way to attract new members and grow our association."

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